

**WEEKLY REPORT**  
**Region 9**  
**Environmental Protection Agency**  
**Week of November 4, 2016**  
**Enforcement Division**

**Highlight of Past Week**

**Significant Items for Next Week**

**Press Stories, Significant Policy, Regulatory, or Legal Actions (2-3 weeks out)**

**SDWA Amended Administrative Order on Consent with the San Carlos Apache Tribe (Tribe) and the San Carlos Apache Tribal Utility Authority (Utility):** On November 1, 2016, Region 9 entered into an Amended Administrative Order on Consent ("AOC") with the Tribe and Utility for numerous violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act, including exceedances of the arsenic and total coliform standards, lack of public notices, and monitoring and reporting violations for lead and copper, nitrates, and other contaminants. The Amended Order amends and supersedes a previous Administrative Order on Consent that EPA entered into with the Tribe and Utility in 2011. The violations were discovered at nine separate public water systems owned and operated by the Tribe and Utility, which serve approximately 15,000 consumers. Pursuant to the AOC, the Tribe and Utility are required to address all the violations and bring the system back into compliance by September 2018. The Tribe agreed to provide alternative water to customers of the Soda Canyon water system by December 23, 2016 due to levels of arsenic that exceed federal standards. ( A. Watanabe, Los Angeles Field Office, 213-244-1807).

**Grant Announcements**

**Legislative Engagement**

**Travel, Training, Public/National Meetings, and Speaking Engagements**

**Director's Travel:**

Internal Personnel

**EPA-funded Mining Workshop – November 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, Phoenix, AZ:** EPA has funded a workshop called “The Mining Life Cycle: Tribal Engagement and Environmental Responsibility,” which will take place in Phoenix AZ on November 2-4. The Nez Perce Tribe received an EPA grant to facilitate development of the 2-day training for 100 attendees from tribes and tribal affiliates across the country. The third day of the workshop is a field trip to Freeport-McMoRan’s Miami copper mine. Jeannie Geselbracht will be co-presenting a workshop on *Communicating for Effectiveness and Influence* with R10 NEPA staff. Workshop attendees are encouraged to also take EPA’s recent 3-part Clu-In webinar series entitled “NEPA and Mining 101” as a recommended pre-requisite for the Phoenix workshop. Jeannie presented part 3 of that webinar series in June 2016. (J.Geselbracht, 2-3853)

### **30-60 Day Outlook**

### **Other Information**

### **Internal to Region 9**

### **Confidential Information**